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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: )  
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Akira ISHIBASHI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1713  
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Application No.: 09/210,539 ) Examiner: K. C. Egwim  
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Filed: December 14, 1998 )  
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For: FORMED ARTICLE OF )  
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